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Do I need SA?

Posted by Teshuvahguy - 29 Dec 2022 20:02

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Re: Do I need SA?

Posted by Human being - 29 Dec 2022 21:08

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I never went to SA, so I'm not going to comment on that. But ever thought about going/back to therapy? You can discuss with a therapist if the 12 steps will be beneficial for you or not.

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Re: Do I need SA?

Posted by easy - 18 Jan 2023 20:46

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## hi welcome

I cant talk about if you need sa or not as i don't have the feel for that yet nor am i anywhere near close to the best guys on here to answer that. that would be a dov question. I can tell you that you should feel safe in the rooms sharing, being open and being honest.

i think i share a parallel path as you in that i stopped my most destructive acting out before i got into sa. it has still helped me tremendously and i have just passed 90 days.

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